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SUBJ: JAPANESE MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND
INDUSTRY TO VISIT MIDDLE EAST

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1. INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) MINISTER YASUHIRO
NAKASONE WILL VISIT SAUDI ARABIA, IRAN, KUWAIT, AND ABU DHABI
FROM APRIL 28 TO MAY 6. HA WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY MITI TRADE
AND DEVELOPMENT BUREAU DIRECTOR- GENERAL MINORU MASUDA, MITI
MINERAL, OIL AND COAL MINING DIR- GEN, HIROSHI TOYAMA, MITI
INTERNATIONAL TRADE BUREAU SECOND OVERSEAS MARKET DIVISION
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DIRECTOR SHINJI FUKUKAWA, AND 4-6 OTHER MITI OFFICIALS.

2. ALTHOUGH JAPANESE PRESS HAS REPORTED THAT NAKASONE WILL MAKE PROPOSALS RE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PETROCHEMICAL PLANT IN SAUDI ARABIA (SEE REFTTEL) AND WILL OFFER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THESE COUNTRIES (BOTH OFFERS IN RETURN FOR LONG- TERM CRUDE CONTRACTS), MITI OIL POLICY DIVISION DIRECTOR RYOHEI SUZUKI DENIED THAT ANY SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES WOULD ARISE DURING THIS SHORT TRIP. HE TOLD EMBOFF THAT MAIN PURPOSE IS TO PAY COURTESY CALL ON KING SAUD AND THE SHAH, WITH VISITS TO KUWAIT AND ABU DHABI OF SECONDARY CONCERN.

3. COMMENT. NAKASONE TRIP IS PART OF CONTINUING JAPANESE EFFORT TO DEVELOP CLOSER BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH MIDDLE EAST. AS SUGGESTED IN PRESS, SOME CONCRETE PROJECTS MAY ARISE AS RESULT OF VISIT.
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